

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendment. This amendment address the Section 112 "lack of antecedent basis" rejection that resulted from a typographical error of inadvertently omitting the word "or" in claims 1 and 9.

Separately, Applicant has requested a pre-appeal review of the rejection of claims 1, 4-7 and 9, which are rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,859,920 to Daly et al. ("Daly"), and the rejection of claim 8 under 35 Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Daly.

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